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THE WHEAT DAMAGE.

Is Serious—Many Fields Go Into Corn.

Many reports to grain men from different parts of Kansas indicate serious damage to the wheat fields. One authority estimates that in a general way the wheat in the eastern half of the state is damaged 50 per cent. In many entire fields the wheat is dead. In other instances, even in the same counties, the fields are all right. It is notable that the damaged fields are generally where the soil is black and heavy. In cases where the soil is sandy and open there is little or no damage.

In the eastern half of the western half of the state; that is, in the heaviest wheat areas, where the bulk of the crop is grown in this state, the damage is less and is estimated at 20 per cent. In the western fourth of Kansas, which sometimes raises a big crop of high grade wheat, conditions are uncertain and will continue so.

There is one fortunate circumstance in connection with the damage to the wheat, and that is it is mostly in soil adapted to corn. In these cases of course the farmers will plow up their fields and put in a crop of corn or oats.

The damage is largely attributed to the heavy rains in November being held by heavy soil and the repeated

freezings, leaving the plants which were killed later by the cold; the additional damage being caused by the sleet and ice which remained for a long time on certain fields smothering the plants.

Capt. Phillips of the Chicago board of trade who has several thousand acres of wheat in Harvey county, visited his field yesterday and says that two-thirds of his wheat is killed. J. N. Fike of Colby, Kan., former railroad commissioner, who has about 1,400 acres of wheat, says in a letter to a grain company: "J. M. Carpenter, who has 1,800 acres of wheat in this county, reports at least 75 per cent damage. Frank Bray, on the east side of the county, says that in one field he examined not one spear in ten thousand was alive. Marshall Leach of the northeast part of the county says he estimates damage at 40 to 70 per cent. In looking over some of my fields I think my former estimate of 40 to 60 per cent about correct, unless the later freeze put more of it to bed."

A letter from W. J. Trousdale, president of the Midland National bank of Newton, Kan., says: "The fine weather we have had the last few days has proved beyond any doubt that 50 per cent of all of the wheat between Newton and Dodge City has been winter-killed, and the farmers now are preparing to put the land in oats and corn. The renters on my farms in Harvey, Edwards and Ford counties, planted 5,000 acres of wheat last fall, and they report that 50 per cent or more of that land will have to be put in spring crops."

HE HUNTED TROUBLE.

Police Declare Reporter Sloan Had Fighting Suit On.

That C. A. Sloan, who accuses Chief of Police Eaton of assaulting him Wednesday night, was hunting trouble, and had announced that there would be trouble, is the latest version of the scrape to be made public. According to the police the reporter had boasted that there would be trouble when he saw the chief.

This statement was made in connection with a discussion of the arrest of Chief Eaton which occurred last evening. The head of the police department was notified and went to the court house and waived service. His bond was fixed at \$300 but he was allowed to go on his promise to appear for trial March 11.

According to the police Sloan told Rad Lee, clerk of the court of Topeka, he was going to make a row because the chief of police had "held out" a story on him. He is also alleged to have told Sergeant Fowler of the police department, at 4 o'clock Wednesday afternoon, that something would be "popping" when he saw the chief of the department.

There is no doubt that something or someone gave Sloan a black eye. The skin beneath the reporter's right eye is discolored. He had it on exhibition after the fight. Sloan also tells of the alleged brutal manner in which the police head kicked him.

Sloan is not confined to his room as was reported this morning. He covered his usual run Thursday afternoon and was at the court house until after the warrant was served on Eaton.

Yesterday he called on Mayor Green and reported the case. He was told that the mayor would investigate it. It is believed that the defense of the chief of police will be that Sloan was hunting trouble, that he had started out to "raise" something, as the reporter is alleged to have threatened to do, and that when Sloan abused him the chief ejected him from the office.

KELLY CASE APPEALED.

Miami County Controversy Reaches Supreme Court.

The board of county commissioners of Miami county today appealed to the supreme court in the famous case against T. T. Kelly, formerly treasurer of that county. In the suit in the Miami court Kelly won his case, the court deciding that he had not misappropriated any of the money of the county, and ordering the board of commissioners to return the \$1,342 it had held out from Kelly's securities. This case was begun in Miami county in July, 1907.

PREACHERS ACCEPT.

Will Attend "Servant in the House" as State Journal Guests.

Several prominent Topeka preachers today accepted the invitation of the State Journal to see the "Servant in the House" next Tuesday night.

"On principle I should not hesitate to go," said Rev. Thos. S. Young, pastor of the First Baptist church, "but I should like to know what proposition the State Journal has in mind. I have desire to know about play."

When the proposition was fully explained to Dr. Young that there were no conditions whatever, he did not hesitate in accepting the offer and immediately went to the telephone to call the State Journal.

"I feel as Dr. Stedman does," said he, when he had hung up the receiver. "The trouble is not with the theater, but with some individual plays which are not of a high moral tone."

Dr. F. L. Hayes, pastor of the First Congregational church, when approached in respect to the play, said that he had already contemplated going, but that he had not reached the point where he could decide whether the time has come when it is wise for the ministers to attend the playhouses. Fear of offending some one by so doing was the point in question.

Dr. F. L. Lynch, pastor of the First Methodist church, said: "Yes, I'll go and write a criticism, but I'll reserve my comments until afterwards."

Dean Kaye attended the play last year and was delighted with it. He could not attend at this time on account of it being Lent.

Rev. J. H. Jones of the Unitarian church was pleased to accept the invitation, stating that as he was a Unitarian, there could be no possible objection to his attending any play that was a good one.

It was not possible for Dr. S. S. Eaton to attend on account of a previous engagement. He did not express himself in regard to this particular play, but in speaking of moving pictures he said: "Seems to me the moving picture theater is a great educational value. I believe the moving pictures could be used to advantage in the schools."

Rev. H. C. Holcombe also had an engagement. He said: "I would not object to going to the theater for the purpose of criticism, but you know that the Methodist church generally does not approve of the theater."

The guests of the State Journal are all requested to write a criticism of the play and to send it to the State Journal. Reservations may be made Monday at Rowley's.

A WHITE PLAGUE CAMP.

Want Tented City for Consumptives Established Near Here.

Proposition for the establishment of a tuberculosis open air camp will be given a boost on March 18, when delegates from the various Brotherhoods of the city meet to discuss the ways and means for establishing such a camp.

The present plan is carried into effect a building containing room enough for a kitchen, dining room and dispensary will be secured. It is proposed to have porches wide enough to accommodate many chairs and cots. If possible the site of the institution would be near the city limits.

One plan advanced was that of a tented city.

The camp would not be a purely charitable institution, but the cost to the patients would be so low as to make it possible for those to take advantage of it who could not afford to go to some high priced resort. According to plans the cost would be but 25 cents a day. Those interested in the promotion of the enterprise do not want patients to feel that they are getting something for nothing.

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DON'T LIKE WELLS

Water Commissioners' Plans Condemned by Officials.

Claim That Wells at Waterworks Will Be Unsanitary.

SUNDAY TELLS HOW.

Railroad Well Expert Believes His Scheme Is Right.

Big Wells Under Construction Will Not Last Long.

There seems to be an organized movement in the city against the plans of the city waterworks commissioners in digging two large wells for the purpose of giving the city pure water.

Superintendent Goodrich of the city electric light plant gave out an interview a few days ago against the wells that are under construction at this time and today S. W. Sunday, a candidate for commissioner, and a railroad well expert, joined the new insurgent movement in condemning the action of the water trustees.

It has been contended by these men and a number of city officials, councilmen and citizens, that the wells at the plant will not supply the needs of the city. They claim that the water will seep in under the walls in the course of two or three years, plug up the flow and there will be no more water.

Furthermore it is stated that there have been many attempts to install such wells along the river bank both by the city and private corporations and every attempt has been a total failure. The cases of the Harrison street pumping station and the asylum wells have been cited.

Supply Taken From River. The Topeka water supply at this time comes from a series of drive wells beneath the bed of the river. Points are driven down through the water into the underflow below the sands and water procured in this manner. It does not reach daylight until it is released from the hydrant.

Not long ago ice gorges came down the river and broke off a number of the suction pipes leading down into the points below the bed of the river. This caused an inflow of dirty unhealthy river water and the people of the city have been drinking the same ever since.

It is said that the waterworks trustees commenced work on the new wells in order to quiet public sentiment which ran riot a few weeks ago.

The following interview from Mr. Sunday will explain his plan. Mr. Sunday has been connected with Rock Island and the Santa Fe in well digging for a number of years.

Mr. Sunday's letter follows: "In a notice in the morning paper an interview with Mr. Goodrich in reference to a water supply for Topeka. In a part of this interview I agree with Mr. Goodrich. In others, I do not, and further there are some things that are not plain to me."

"First, I heartily agree with Mr. Goodrich, that a quantity of water sufficient to supply Topeka cannot be supplied by the open well system, and I want to add, that the quality is not good."

"I agree that the Cook brass strainer is the best brass strainer on the market, but they will corrode. There are strainers made of other material than brass that will not corrode."

Is Most Inexpensive. "I agree the 'gang' well system is the most inexpensive, most simple, and most durable, if put in to suit the local conditions, and where the conditions are right for a system of this kind and I am sure they are right, in Topeka."

Not For Strainer Method. "Where I do not agree on this subject is to go on the bank above the water mark and push strainers out under the river as proposed by Mr. Goodrich. We have from 25 to 40 feet of shifting sand in the main channel of the river. At the present time the sand is moving. We now have a system of strainers in this sand. Go to your hydrant now for a drink of pure water, and you will see the result."

"I do not understand how water can be safely drawn through a suction pipe by going above high water mark, is about 25 feet above normal water level."

"It is known that at this altitude water can be drawn about 32 feet, when the pump is perfect and all other conditions equal, but for a water system of this kind where it is necessary to keep pressure in the mains at all times, I would recommend a draft of more than ten feet."

"In your paper a few weeks ago I proposed a plan whereby the drafting of water from the river and the sand plant would be immune from floods. I shall be pleased to note any suggestion on water, as I think water is what we need for Topeka at this time more than anything else."

"As to Mr. Goodrich's experience in getting water, I do not know. I infer from his present occupation that he is professional working with electricity. I have seen all kinds of waterworks between Chicago and the Pacific coast, both railroad and city, and I have put in quite a number in the past 20 years, some of which can be vouched for in Topeka."

"The more thought and I will close. Within the past two weeks I have been approached several times on the reservoir water system. St. Joseph, Mo., has the reservoir water system. About a year ago they cleaned out their reservoir, and it is needless to say here what they found in the bottom."

"Something should be done to get pure water for Topeka promptly, economically and to last permanently."

BOGUS CONFESSION.

Investigate Statement of Sailor That He Murdered Girl.

Portsmouth, N. H., March 4.—The aftermath of the attempt of Private James Hall to secure his release from the naval prison here through a spurious confession that he had murdered Miss Anna Schumacher at Greece, N. Y., in August last will come with a few days in the form of a naval court martial, arrangements for which have now been completed. The charge against Hall is "conduct to the prejudice of good order and discipline."

The specifications allege that his so-called confession was "wholly false and intended to deceive."

One of the questions which will be involved in the proceedings will concern the jurisdiction of the court-martial, in view of Hall's discharge from his service at the time he was turned over to the civil authorities.



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SNAP SHOTS OF THE PRINCIPAL WITNESSES IN SWOPE CASE.



Pearl Keller, the nurse who attended Col. Swope at his death bed, whose testimony forms an important part of the prosecution against Dr. Hyde. Miss Margaret Swope will also be a witness. The photographs were taken as both parties were entering the court room to give testimony in the coroner's inquest.

BASEBALL IN SCHOOLS.

Recommended by an Educator at the Indianapolis Meeting.

Indianapolis, Ind., March 4.—Baseball should be an important part of the education of children, and every school boy and perhaps every school girl should play the great American game, in the opinion of William A. Stecher, director of physical training in the public schools of Philadelphia, who expressed today in the conference of hygiene of the National Educational association in this city.

"Each school should have a baseball club and the clubs should visit each other's grounds in the fashion of the professional leagues," Mr. Stecher said. "The greatest attention must be paid to strengthening the bodies of children if their mentality is to improve, he pointed out, and he declared that of all games, baseball provides the best and safest exercises."

Many phases of school hygiene and physical training were considered by the educators, who remained here for the closing session today of the convention of the department of superintendence of the National Educational association.

JACKSON OPENS TONIGHT

Attorney General Will Fire First Gun of Congressional Campaign.

Attorney General Fred S. Jackson went to Reading, Lyon county, this afternoon, accompanied by several friends from this city and representatives of the press to open his congressional campaign. Reading organized the first "Jackson for Congress" club some days ago and in appreciation of this loyalty the attorney general agreed to open his campaign in this little city.

Reports from Lyon county indicate that a tremendous crowd will be on hand to welcome the attorney general at the opening of his campaign. In his speech tonight Mr. Jackson will deal with the issues between the regular and insurgent factions of his party.

He will outline a clean cut platform, built entirely of progressive planks. If Mr. Jackson is nominated and elected from the Fourth district Kansas will have another Murdock or Bristow at Washington. Mr. Jackson is a square dealer and in perfect accord with all the Stubb's policies in Kansas now before the people.

Mr. Jackson's rebuke of Bill Hack-

DAWSON AFTER FACTS.

Wants to Prove Kansas Freight Rates Are Too High.

John Dawson, attorney for the railroad board, has appealed to the secretary of agriculture, the bank commissioner and other state officers for statistical information to aid him in his suit against the railroad companies for lower freight rates.

Mr. Dawson, in his suit before the interstate commerce commission, alleges that Kansas has wealth, farm products, population and business have doubled many times over since these freight rates were made by the railroad companies a quarter of a century ago. He believes that the new conditions and the increase warrant a readjustment of rates along the lines of revision downward. He is asking the various state departments for accurate and detailed statistics to bear out his allegations.

"This freight rate case is the most important from a Kansas standpoint ever brought before the commission. Kansas, Oklahoma and Texas are all banded together in this suit for recognition. Evidence will be taken by Commissioner Prouty in this suit in Kansas City, beginning March 18."

Still Knocking.



Mrs. Stubb—Just to think, John, the great polar explorer states that there are spots up in the far north where it would be impossible to open your mouth without freezing to death. Mr. Stubb—Ah, now I understand, Marla.

Mrs. Stubb—Understand what? Mr. Stubb—Why it is that women never try to discover the North pole.

"Our friend, the alderman, has had quite a number of political love affairs." "What do you mean?" "First he flirted with both factions, then he won a nomination, wooed, and now he is courting an investigation." —Kansas City Journal.

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